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In re Application of PLESSIER et al.

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For: APPARATUS TO IMPLEMENT DUAL

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DECISION ON

DECLARATION UNDER

37 CFR 1.497(a)

This is a decision on applicants' reply to Notification of Defective Response, filed on 29 March 2007 in the United States Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO) along with a request for a four month extension of time, which is granted.

On 23 January 2006, a Notification of Defective Response (Form DO/EO/916) was mailed to applicant, indicating that the oath or declaration was not executed in accordance with either 37 CFR 1.66 or 1.68 and drawing applicant's attention to the fact that the second inventor's name did not correspond with the name listed on the published international application.

On 02 March 2006, applicant filed a reply to Notification of Defective Response with a newly executed declaration and a Supplemental Application Data Sheet. On 29 September 2006, a decision dismissing the submission was mailed indicating that review of declaration revealed that the given name on the executed declaration is "Kiat Yap Ming"while the Supplemental Application Data Sheet is corrected to indicate that the second inventor's name is "Ming-Kiat Yap". No explanation was offered as to how the error in the second named inventor's name occurred and such explanation was required.

On 29 March 2007, applicant filed an explanation that the difference in the second inventor's name is a spelling error. Applicants' explanation is accepted and noted for the record.

For the reasons above, the Request is <u>GRANTED</u>. No petition fee is required. The declaration of inventors submitted by applicants on 29 March 2007 is acceptable.

The application will be forward to the United States Designated/Elected Office for further processing. The 35 U.S.C. 371(c)(1), (c)(2) and (c)(4) date is 29 March 2007.

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